

WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

Date: August 30, 2006

To: The Governing Board Members

From: 
Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer

Subject: **Agenda Item XVI: Consideration of resolution opposing Proposition 90.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution opposing Proposition 90.

Background: Proposition 90 would amend the California Constitution to require government to pay property owners for substantial economic losses resulting from some new laws and rules and would limit government authority to take ownership of private property. The Legislative Analyst's Office analysis is attached.

According to <http://www.noprop90.com/>, Proposition 90 could cost all taxpayers billions, result in thousands of frivolous lawsuits and more bureaucracy and red tape, prevent voters and state and local agencies from enacting environmental protections, and undermine the authority of local communities and local voters.

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RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY OPPOSING PROPOSITION 90

Whereas, there exists a wildlife corridor comprised of undeveloped wildlife habitat and open space between the Whittier-Puente Hills and the Cleveland National Forest in the Santa Ana Mountains; and

Whereas, this wildlife corridor serves wildlife migration and also functions as an essential environmental, scientific, educational, and recreational resource which should be held in trust for present and future generations; and

Whereas, that as the last major natural open space resource connecting Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, and Riverside Counties, it provides essential relief from the urban environment; and

Whereas, the preservation and protection of this resource is of Statewide significance; and

Whereas, the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor exists as a single ecosystem in which changes that affect one part may also affect all other parts; and

Whereas, Proposition 90 would amend the California Constitution to require government to pay property owners for substantial economic losses resulting from some new laws and rules and would limit government authority to take ownership of private property; and

Whereas, many aspects of Proposition 90 are inconsistent with the mission of WCCA; and

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority:

1. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendation dated August 30, 2006; and
2. OPPOSES Proposition 90.

Chairperson

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AYES:

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a special meeting of the Governing Board of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 30th day of August, 2006.

Dated:

Executive Officer